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On February 7, 1992, Investigator, b6 -2,-4,-5 office of professional standards, chicago police department b7C -2,-4,-5 (CPD), telephone advised that the City Police Board hearings regarding BURGE and two other CPD Detectives were moved from police headquarters to the Everett McKinlev-Dirksen Federal Building for security reasons. She stated that and other incarcerated witnesses had voiced some concerns about the hearings being held in a police environment. She also stated that there were some concerns of wardens about the escape risk of their prisoners.

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Report cites 12 years of S. Side cop brutality

By Charles Nicodemus Staff Writer

A long-suppressed Police Department report says crime suspects were "systematically" brutalized at Area 2 detective headquarters for 12 years and that "particular" top commanders there knew of the abuses.

The October, 1990, study of 50 alleged abuse victims by an investigator for the department's civilian-staffed Office of Professional Standards was ordered released Friday by U.S. District Judge Milton I. Shadur in connection with a police brutality suit.

Police Supt. LeRoy Martin, who commanded the Far South Side head-quarters for nine months during the 1974-to-1986 period studied, attacked the report prepared by investigator Michael Goldston.

"The methodology used for the report is flawed and unsubstantiated, bringing into serious question the credibility of its conclusions," Martin

He said a preliminary review of the report by the Washington-based Police Foundation found that because of "gaps in the data" and other "inconsistencies," the material does "not necessarily support investigator Goldston's conclusion" of systematic abuse.

As for the allegation that certain unidentified Area 2 commanders were aware of the abuse of suspects, Martin said, "It's a lie, an outright lie. Whoever said that doesn't know what they're talking about."

Mayor Daley also lashed out at the report, saying its conclusions were "too broad" and were based in part on "allegations still under investigation."

Daley, state's attorney during part of the period studied, has been accused by critics of failing to investigate allegations of police misconduct.

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Release of the Goldston report comes three days before the opening

of civilian Police Board hearings on Office of Professional Standards brutality charges against Cmdr. Jon Burge and two of his detectives. Burge formerly headed the Area 2 violent crimes unit, and the Goldston study was included in the OPS investigation of him

The hearings starting Monday will probe allegations by convicted cop killer Andrew Wilson that Burge and Detective John Yucaitis tortured him to obtain his confession in February, 1982, and that Detective Patrick O'Hara was aware of the torture and failed to report it.

Release of the Goldston report was forced Friday by attorney Flint Taylor. He represented Wilson in two unsuccessful federal damage suits against Burge and was researching an unrelated brutality case when the Goldston report came to light.

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Taylor said Martin "sat on" the
Goldston report for 15 months.

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Police brutality study kept scaled for months

By Charles Nicodemus Staff Writer

Like a ticking time bomb, the "Goldston report," which charged longtime police brutality at Area 2 detective headquarters, lay sealed in U.S. District Court files for months.

Friday, it exploded into view—with Police Supt. LeRoy Martin expressing outrage at its charge that "systematic" abuses were condoned by commanders at Area 2, which Martin once headed.

The report cited cases in which police allegedly gave electrical shocks to prisoners by attaching alligator clips to various parts of their bodies, the current being generated by a device resembling a hand-crank telephone box. Other alleged torture included a practice known as "bagging" in which a plastic bag would be tied around the neck of a suspect, leading the prisoner to believe he was going to suffocate. In some cases, the prisoner passed out, the report said.

The report also angered Mayor Daley and focused further attention on tomorrow's opening of police brutality hearings for former Cmdr. Jon Burge and two other officers.

After the long-secret study was made public Friday in federal court, Daley's and Martin's criticisms raised serious questions about its validity.

But whatever the report's merits. Daley's reaction—condemning the report as "too broad" and its charges as "unsubstantiated"—seemed ironic.

The 160-page statistical study and analysis was written by Michael Goldston, an investigator for the Office of

Professional Standards, the Police Department's civilian-staffed unit created to investigate allegations of brutality.

The agency is headed by Gayle Shines, whom Daley named to the job in May, 1990, to toughen up the much-criticized agency.

Shines supervised the Goldston study of 50 allegations of police brutality at Area 2 between 1974 and 1986. Shines sent it to Martin on Nov. 2. 1990, calling it a "masterful job" whose "conclusions are compelling."

At the same time, Shines also gave Martin another report, by investigator Francine Sanders. It dealt only with convicted cop-killer Andrew Wilson's contention that his confession had been extracted through torture by Burge and his detectives.

One year later, Martin used the Sanders report as the basis for his recommendation to the Police Board that Burge and two detectives, John Yucaitis and Patrick O'Hara, be fired.

But the Goldston report never was publicized.

Attorney Flint Taylor, who forced its disclosure last week, contends that Martin "covered up the report" because Martin was Area 2 detective commander for nine months in 1983.

Martin retorted that anyone who said any Area 2 commander had condoned brutality was lying. He said he had kept the Goldston report secret because he believed Goldston's methods and findings were flawed.

To get an "independent" evaluation. Martin said, He' contacted the Police Foundation, a Washington, D.C.-based

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"think tank" staffed by former police officials, in October, 1991.

Taylor on Friday called the action "unprecedented" and said the foundation was not "independent."

Taylor, an attorney with the People's Law Office and a crusader against police brutality, learned of the report last year while preparing for the trial of an unrelated brutality lawsuit. The city provided a copy only on the condition that it remain secret.

U.S. District Judge Milton Shadur unsealed the report Friday.

Martin then revealed a preliminary response from the Police Foundation, which questioned the report's conclusions

Correspondence between Martin and the Police Foundation, released later Friday by Martin to discredit the Goldston report, also reveals Burge was the target of 51 percent of the abuse charges from the 50 alleged victims who figured in the OPS study.

William Kunkle, Burge's attorney, called the report "garbage" and stressed that it was inadmissible in the upcoming hearings.

Taylor noted that tickets for a fundraiser to help pay the accused officers' legal bills are being sold in district police stations. Said Taylor:

"On the one hand, we have a Police Department report detailing systematic police brutality, and on the other hand, police are peddling tickets in police stations in an attempt to help keep officers accused of brutality on the force.

the force.
"Looks like we have South Africanstyle police repression in Chicago." (Mount Clipping in Space Below)

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by Scott Burnham

Convicted killer Andrew Wilson testified Monday he was beaten Chicago police officers nearly 10 severely and nearly electrocuted years ago. The police board hearing conand suffocated during several The police board hearing.

hours of interrogation following his arrest for the murders of two

and suffocated during several ducted at the Dirksen Federal
Building for security purposes,
began Monday morning to review dismissal charges against Area 3 Commander Jon Burge and two detectives. The three defendants were suspended from the force. without pay, last November and are now fighting to regain their jobs.
Wilson, currently serving a life

prison sentence in the Pontiac Correctional facility, appeared be-fore hearing chief Michael Berland to provide a horritying, but less than riveting, account of the methods of torture the officers allegedly administered to extract a Confession.

Lawyers representing the Police
Department allege the torture was (continued on page 22)

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the result of the department's frustration over the deaths of three officers that same week. Wilson claims Burge told him his "reputation was at stake."

At one point, following an alleged gruesome beating at Area 2 detective headquarters, Wilson claimed Burge entered a room alone and clamored, "Fun Time!" In the company of another officer, Burge allegedly handcuffed Wilson's hands to a wall while Wilson knelt in front of a radiator.

After clamping the electrodes attached to a black box to his small fingers, Burge cranked the hand generator, causing an electronic current to surge through Wilson's bod," he alleged.

"He kept cranking it," recalled Wilson nonchalantly while demonstrating on his knees. "It made my teeth grind together. I was hollering for help but he didn't have to stop because I couldn't (get the clamps) off."

Wilson contends the box was used with limited success two other times but he was able to knee an officer in the groin and another time release the electrodes from

shoulders. Prior to those alleged attacks, Wilson accused another officer of attempting to suffocate him with a garbage bag.

According to Wilson's testimony, moments later, Burge tortured him with a foot-long cattle prod, which resembled a curling iron with a wire protruding from one

While remaining cuffed in front of the radiator, Wilson claimed Burge "rubbed it around my legs up and down very slowly (about three or four times). It was tingling (feeling.) On the last pass, he. jabbed it into the center of my back. (The impact) slammed me into the grill.".

Wilson then began regurgitating blood and the torture momentarily stopped, he alleged.

When Burge confronted him again hours later at another location, Wilson said the lieutenant "was playing with his gun in my mouth clicking it back and forth. I agreed to make a statement to keep from getting shot," he claim-

dressed in blue jacket and jean,

his ears by rubbing them on his Burge reportedly cracked smiles at his fellow defendants, John Yucaitis and Patrick O'Hara, and shook his head in disbelief.

> A plethora of spectators filed into the packed courtroom passing through two metal detectors and hand searches of all bags. Several police officers sat with the brother of William Fahey, one of the officers whom Wilson was convicted of killing. Members of anti-police brutality groups were also in attendence.

Despite the graphic testimony, Wilson, many times, appeared confused and uncertain about his account as evidenced by mistakenly identifying officers. The defendant's attorney, William Kunkle, will most likely capitalize on the inconsistencies in the days to come.

Officer John Dineen president of the Fraternal Order of Police, said late Monday Wilson's story has changed dramatically throughout the years and that the word of a convicted killer is less than convincing.

Throughout the decade-long investigation, the officers have During the testimony, Wilson, maintained their innocence and were acquitted by two civil juries. march , 4% & 4

Burge-case panel hears of torture

By Sharman Stein

Ten years after his arrest for the killing of two police officers, Andrew Wilson lifted his shirt Monday and displayed to a packed courtroom the scars he says he suffered while being tortured by three Chicago police officers.

Wilson was the first witness Monday in the first day of hearings before the Police Board, which may hear four to six weeks of testimony.

The city is seeking for the first time, through this administrative proceeding, to dismiss Cmdr. Jon Burge, Detective John A. Yucaitis and Detective Patrick J. O'Hara, the officers accused of torturing Wilson.

The officers, all of whom were present at the hearing, deny the charges, which have not been proved in two federal court cases and a previous police investiga-

Burge, Yucaitis and O'Hara have been suspended since November. If the charges are sustained, Burge would be the highest-ranking Chicago police official to be dismissed in 20 years.

Andrew Wilson and his brother, Jackie, were convicted of the murders and are serving life sentences without parole.

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"The question is, why did this happen?" said city attorney June Ghezzi, in an opening statement.

"It happened for two reasons. He was just arrested for the murder of two Chicago police officers, and there had been three deaths of police officers over one week.

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"The first purpose was to extract a confession," Ghezzi said.

"The second was to extract a pound of flesh, to punish him because the officers were so upset about the murder of the police officers."

William Kunkle Jr., one of the lawyers for the three accused officers, reserved his opening statement for a later time.

But in afternoon cross-exami-See Police, pg. 8 (Indicate page, name of Page 1 newspaper, city and state.) Section 2 Chicago Tribune Chicago, Illinois

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a South Side apartment.

Kunkle insisted that during those days Wilson had time to learn from other people what the police knew about his involvement in the shootings of the officers and therefore how to plan his later statements of torture when he was arrested.

Although Wilson took the 5th Amendment and refused to answer many of the questions at the advice of an attorney representing him in a criminal appeal, Kunkle said he expected to "utilize the right of negative inference" regarding Wilson's refusal to answer.

Hearing Officer Michael Berland

granted the request.

Wilson, who was permitted at the city's request to testify without wearing handcuffs or manacles, detailed in a low-key voice the beatings, electrical shocks and choking he said he suffered at the hands of Burge and others following his arrest at 5:15 a.m. that Feb.

Burge and the other two officers kept a steady eye on Wilson and occasionally looked at each other

during his testimony.

Frequently sounding irritated by the questions, Wilson described how he was taken by police officers to a second-floor room at the old Burnside Area detective headquarters at 9059 S. Cottage Grove Ave. There, he said, Yucaitis, among others, "started beating me up, hitting me, kicking me, slapping me, basically just beating up on me.

Wilson said officers hit him with their fists, kicked him, dragged him abuse stopped around the room, and knocked Later, Wilson said, Burge took



Jon Burge and two other officers face dismissal if charges of torture are sustained.

him onto the floor. He said an officer placed a plastic garbage bag over his head until he bit a hole through it, and then threw him against a window, causing the glass to shatter.

When Burge entered the room during some of the beating, Wilson testified, he [Burge] observed what was happening. "He said if it had been him, he wouldn't have messed my face up, he wouldn't damage me where it would be noticed, Wilson said.

Later, Wilson said, first Yucaitis and later Burge shocked him with a "black box" by attaching clips to his ear and nostril and cranking the box to produce an electrical current. The shock was so great in the first session, Wilson said, that he "kneed" Yucaitis, who then punched him in the mouth.

He said Yucaitis continued cranking the box and shocking him, but Wilson's shouts brought attention to the room and the

him to a second room. Producing the brown paper bag containing the electrical device, Wilson said Burge announced it was "fun time," and then attached the clips to his ears.

When Wilson was able to nudge off the clips on his ears by lowering shis chin against his shoulder, Wilson said, Burge stretched him across the radiator in the room. handcuffed him in place and re-attached the clamps to his little * fingers.

"I was hollering for help," Wilson said. "I think I spit some blood out, and he stopped."

Wilson also testified that when the was later transported to Wentworth Area headquarters, where he was urged to make a statement, he was left alone in a room with Burge.

"He had his gun inside my mouth, and he was clicking it back and forth, cocking it," Wilson said. "He told me that if I gave a statement, what happened earlier wouldn't reoccur."

In his initial cross-examination, Kunkle asked Wilson whether any of the officers had questioned him about the killing of the police offi-cers, to which Wilson said no. Kunkle then tried to ascertain where Wilson slept on the nights before his arrest, whether he was worried about anything and other questions related to Wilson's: whereabouts and state of mind.

"I am arguing that what hap-pened between Feb. 9 and Feb. 14 is important to the credibility of Wilson's account of what happened at the police stations on Feb. 14,

Kunkle said.

An internal Police Department report released Friday by a federal court judge charges that "systematic torture" was perpetrated by at least seven police officers at the South Side police station from 1973 to 1986 and that police supervisors in the Rupside Area supervisors in the Burnside Area knew about and condoned the abuse.

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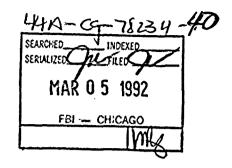
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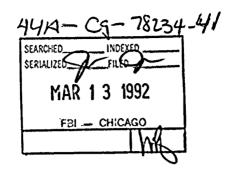


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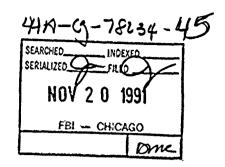
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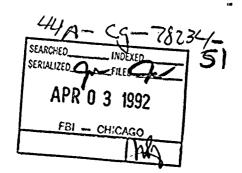
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Burge case ruling seen far away

Chicago Police Board cases 1856, 1857 and 1858—the cases of Cmdr. Jon Burge and Detectives John Yucaitis and Patrick O'Hara—concluded Thursday with the officers' counsel arguing that there is not ample evidence of misdeeds to uphold their firings.

Also in closing hearings, the city recapitulated its rationale for dismissing the three men.

The case has focused citywide attention on allegations of brutality, torture and excessive force in the Police Department. It is the most extensive case of its kind in the police board's history.

Burge and Yucaitis are accused of brutalizing and torturing convicted cop killer Andrew Wilson in February 1982, and O'Hara of knowing about the abuse but doing nothing to stop it.

The hearings have lasted six weeks and have included about two dozen witnesses.

The final ruling, which will be made by the nine-member civilian police board, is not expected for several months.

Mark Iris, executive director, said it will likely take at least a month to compile the 5,000 to 10,000 pages of testimony from this hearing and previous judicial proceedings, upon which the board members will base their decision. (Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

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Final arguments in cop torture case

By Charles Nicodemus

Staff Writer

Five weeks of testimony and exhibits "clearly show" Police Cmdr. Jon Burge and two of his men treated convicted cop killer

Andrew Wilson "like a piece of two Chicago policemen.

But Wilson was "a human being ... entitled to the protection of police" who, Reidy said, instead tortured him to extract a Andrew Wilson "like a piece of human garbage," a Police Department special counsel contended cers. "I however, William Kunkle, chief medical evidence," and by contract by though Reidy stressed that Wilson's story was "supported by medical evidence," and by contract a contract a cers. "In a three-hour final argument, counsel for Burge and detectives attorney Daniel Reidy told a Po- John Yucaitis and Patrick O'Hara, "Turn to Page 58"

lice Board brutality hearing that said the lengthy hearing demon-Wilson "committed horrible strated "conclusively" that Wilson's tale of being tortured with electrical shocks, suffocation, "Russian roulette" and beatings was "totally incredible."

"The evidence stinks," Kunkle

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ries. Kunkle told hearing officer Michael Berland the case must stand or fall on Wilson's credibil-

ity, "which is nil."
"You're not allowed to take a man's job away ... ruin his reputation, take his family's livelihood, if you have to read between the lines," Kunkle said during 31/2 hours of summation.

Based on an investigation by the Police Department's Office of Professional Standards, Supt. Le-Roy Martin suspended the three men without pay in November and recommended that the Police Board fire them. The Office of Professional Standards said Burge and Yucaitis tortured Wilson and O'Hara condoned the mistreatment by failing to report it.

Kunkle was expected to take two more hours in closing today.

The lengthy transcript of testimony from 39 witnesses, plus more than 200 exhibits, will go to the nine-member civilian Police Board, which will decide the officers' fate. No decision is expected for more than two months.

Reidy ridiculed the claim of Burge and other officers that Burge-widely reputed to be a "hands on" commander—hadn't personally questioned Wilson or even entered the Area 2 detective headquarters interrogation room, although the case was "the most important of his career ... watched by everyone on the force from the superintendent on down."

Reidy said two officers apparently "didn't get the word" about ment", story. A detective who sat abused him.

outside the interview room and a "wagon man" who came to take Wilson to the central lockup both testified in earlier proceedings that they saw Burge in the room, Reidy noted.

O'Hara's conduct was "almost as bad as the others," Reidy argued, because officers who keep silent about the abuse of prisoners encourage mistreatment by other police.

Recalling that Burge had described Wilson as a "piece of hu-man garbage," and that Officers William Fahey and Richard O'Brien had been the third and fourth lawmen shot to death in Burge's area within three weeks, Reidy said:

"The police felt they were under siege. Four 'brothers' had been killed." So the goal was "to break that piece of garbage, to make to that piece of garbage cooperate."

Kunkle cited numerous details of how Wilson-now serving a life sentence in the murders—had changed his version of events during two criminal trials and two federal civil trials in which he unsuccessfully sued police for damages.

A public defender and a County Jail doctor indicated Wilson told them he had been electro-shocked on his genitals, "but Wilson now denies ever saying that," Kunkle noted.

In court filings, Wilson has re-ferred to being "interrogated," Kunkle said, yet Wilson insisted while on the stand he was "never actually questioned" about the murders, just tortured until he gave a statement.

During the 10 years of court proceedings, Kunkle related, "Wilson has even changed the backing Burge's "noninvolve names of the police" he says

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Burge hearing ends with emotional plea

By Charles Nicodemus Staff Writer

With tears welling in his eyes and his voice cracking with emotion, the lawyer for Cmdr. Jon Burge and two of his detectives urged a police brutality hearing not to "believe" that [S.O.B.].

The target of attorney William Kunkle's emotional final argument, convicted cop killer Andrew Wilson, accuses Burge and his men of using torture to force his confession in the 1982 murder of two officers.

In a two-hour rebuttal to Kunkle's 4½-hour summation, Daniel Reidy, special counsel for the Police Department, said: "It is indeed a sad day. It is not easy to stand here and ask for the discharge of these three officers.

'They thought it [torture] was all

policemen, Reidy suggested. He said Burge and Detectives John Yucaitis the abuse "was all right, to secure a contact with Wilson, Kunkle said. conviction they believed was just. Reidy said the defense's theory of conviction they believed was just. -

"But that cannot be accepted even 10 years later," Reidy told hearing examiner Michael Berland.

Wilson was so battered by the time he was delivered to the central lockup, "he looked like the wreck of the Hesperus," Reidy said, and the lockup keepers refused to accept him until he received medical attention.

Such "systematic" brutality "cannot be condoned," Reidy argued. Kunkle said, however, that none of the case has spawned "agreed on a pen that way."

right" because Wilson had killed two diagnosis" of what Wilson's injuries were or how they were suffered.

. "And even if you believed them, and Patrick O'Hara "thought Wilson there's no proof as to who did it" was a piece of human garbage" and . among the various officers who had

the case "simply doesn't hold water."

On the one hand, Reidy said, the officers claim that Wilson—a career criminal with a history of refusing to confess to lesser crimes—"wrote himself a [potential] ticket to the electric chair" by voluntarily confessing immediately after his arrest, and gave a formal statement 11 hours later.

"Then they say that in less than an be condoned," Reidy argued. hour," Wilson supposedly began Kunkle said, however, that none of "scheming and conniving" to produce the doctors who examined Wilson or his torture story, Reidy said. "It just testified at the long legal proceedings doesn't make sense. It just didn't hap-

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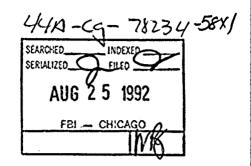
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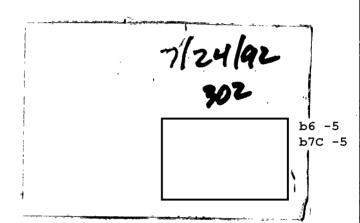
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Chicago will continue in its efforts to identify victims who allege that their confessions were coerced by the CPD. Chicago will also continue to monitor the Chicago Police Board hearings and report its final decision regarding captioned case to the Bureau.

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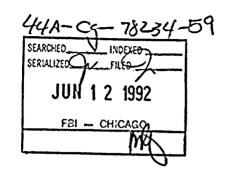
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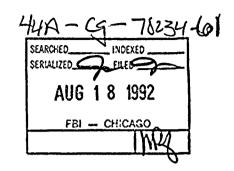
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Chicago, Illinois 60604

August 25, 1992

UNKNOWN SUBJECT(S); COMMANDER JON G. BURGE, CHICAGO POLICE OFFICERS, CHICAGO POLICE DEPARTMENT, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS; VICTIM;

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On August 19, 1992,	b3 -2
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Electroshock Accusations Go Back to 1989

Here is a history of electroshock allegations against

Chicago police:
1989: Convicted cop-killer Andrew Wilson lost a highly publicized federal suit seeking damages from police, saying he was subjected to electroshock by Area 2 Violent Crimes Cmdr. Jon Burge and his detectives in 1982.

The state appellate court ruled in favor of Gregory Banks, who said he confessed to murder after Burge and other officers beat him, hindered his breathing and subjected him to Russian Roulette in 1983. The court overturned his conviction.

December, 1990: Amnesty International called for an investigation into human rights violations by police, based on the Wilson case and other allegations of torture un-earthed by the mon-profit People's Law Office.

September, 1991: Burge was commander of Area 3

Violent Crimes when detectives there investigated the shooting of Alfredo Hernandez. Teens brought in for questioning say police beat and shocked them. Burge was not involved in the questioning nor was he aware of the

case, his attorney said.
November, 1991: The Police Department recommended. firing Burge for his role in the Wilson case. He has been suspended pending a Police Board decision on whether the

firing is justified.

February, 1992: The federal court ordered release of a secret 15-month-old internal city report that found "systematic" abuse of suspects by some Area 2 detectives during the 1970s and 1980s. Half the 50 allegations investigated purportedly involved Burge. Mayor Daley and Police Supt. Leroy Martin criticized the report as poorly researched, and officials took no corrective action.

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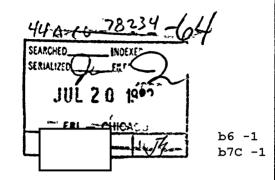
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b6 -3 b7C -3 COMMANDER JON G. BURGE, requested that the FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION (FBI) not interview her client until this case is completed. After that time, she is willing to make her client and others available for any FBI questioning. _____further advised that she will continue to provide the scheduled court dates and any other reliable information to the writer upon request. On August 4, 1992, Assistant United States Attorney (AUSA) was given the corrected number for records in order for another Grand Jury subpoena to be issued. Chicago will continue in its efforts to identify victims who allege that their confessions were coerced by the CPD. Chicago will continue to monitor the Chicago Police Board Hearings regarding captioned subjects, as well as

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Area 3 Police Accused of Misconduct Before

The Sept. 25 murder investigation that led to allegations of police torture does not represent the first time Area 3 violent crimes detectives were accused of mishandling youths. more typical example of how police sometimes cross legal bounds when investigating the increasing number of violent crimes that involve children.

Police and defense attorneys differ about the prevalence of the problem.

"We always try to get one of the parents in there," said Area 3 Violent Crimes Commander John Regan. "If we don't have them, we have a youth officer stand in for the parent"

the parent."

"There's only one instance I can think of in probably 500 [violent crime] offenses I've handled involving minors in which a waiting relative was given access during questioning," said Assistant Public Defender Martha Fitzsimmons. "They won't do it because they're

afraid parents won't let them talk."

Associate Judge Stuart Lubin threw out their statements May 14, saying the circumstances of their questioning cast doubt on their reliability. The state's attorney's office then dropped the charges.

—Deborah Nelson

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